



## Trends in Child Well-Being 2000–2007\*\*

	BASE YEAR		CURRENT YEAR				PERCENT CHANGE IN RATE	
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Rank <sup>1</sup>	MI Rate	Worse	Better
<b>Economic Security</b>	<b>2005</b>		<b>2007</b>					
Children in poverty								
– ages 0–17	4,186	17.1%	4,191	17.9%	30	19.3%	5	
– ages 5–17	2,746	15.0%	2,762	16.0%	34	17.4%	7	
	<b>2006</b>		<b>2008</b>					
Students receiving free/reduced price school lunches <sup>2</sup>	6,416	39.1%	7,134	45.5%	35	41.3%	16	
<b>Child Health</b>	<b>1998-2000</b>		<b>2005-2007</b>					
less than adequate prenatal care	257	19.7%	207	16.6%	17	22.5%		16
Low-birthweight babies	99	7.6%	92	7.4%	43	8.4%	74	3
Infant mortality (per 1,000)	6	4.6	10	8.0	35 of 54	7.8		11
Child deaths, ages 1–14 (per 100,000)	5	22.0	4	19.7	15 of 39	18.9		
<b>Adolescence</b>								
Births to teens, ages 15–19 (per 1,000)	148	38.8	129	36.2	48	33.5		7
Teen deaths (per 100,000)	6	73.5	6	77.9	29 of 44	57.1	6	
	<b>2007</b>		<b>2008</b>					
High school dropouts	222	14.8%	179	11.9%	54 of 78	14.2%		20
<b>Abuse/Neglect</b> (per 1,000)	<b>FY2000</b>		<b>FY2008</b>					
Children in investigated families	1,664	61.8	2,647	110.6	65	74.5	79	
Confirmed victims	148	5.5	233	9.7	22	12.0		6
Children in out-of-home care	102	3.8	85	3.6	18 of 79	5.9	77	
<b>Education</b> (below proficient in MEAP math)	<b>2003</b>		<b>2008</b>					
Fourth grade	412	36.6%	88	8.7%	29	12.1%		76
Eighth grade	604	46.4%	305	27.0%	65	25.5%		42

**2007**

Total population  
107,366

Child population,  
ages 0–17  
23,937

Live births  
1,246

<sup>1</sup> A ranking of 1 means a county has the “best” rate compared to other counties in the state. Unless noted, the ranking is based on 82–83 counties.

<sup>2</sup> Family income for eligible students is below 185 percent poverty level.

\* Sometimes a rate could not be calculated because of low incidence of events or unavailable data.

\*\* Due to changes in the data measures, comparisons between 2000 and the current year could not be made for some indicators.

N/A not available.

Missing bars indicate no change or a rate could not be calculated; a “0” reflects no change. Percentage change is calculated with unrounded rates.